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Title:	COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR DELIVERY OF SHORT INTERFERING RNA AND SHORT HAIRPIN RNA		

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed December 29, 2008, Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the following Amendment and consideration of the following Remarks. The deadline for responding to the Office Action without fees was March 29, 2009. A three-month extension of time from March 29, 2009, up to and including June 29, 2009, is hereby respectfully requested, and the extension fee of \$555.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for a small entity is being paid via the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's Electronic Filing System's credit card payment option. Applicant thus submits that the present Response is timely submitted on June 29, 2009.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.